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1. (Currently Amended) A camera apparatus ~~having~~ incorporating a communicating device for transmitting a video signal photographed and processed by a camera or a video signal temporarily recorded in a record medium to a remote location, comprising:

connecting means for connecting a plurality of different communication lines;

setting and inputting means for ~~designating~~ allowing said user to designate one of the plurality of different communication lines and setting a transmission condition;

controlling means for determining whether or not the video signal is transmissible to the remote location with the transmission rate of the designated communication line corresponding to an output signal of said setting and inputting means; ~~and generating control information when the video signal is transmissible; and~~

notifying means for notifying said user if a different communication line would allow the video signal to be transmissible if it is determined that the video signal is not transmissible over the designated communication line;

generating means for generating control information when it is determined that the video signal is transmissible over the designated communication line; and

signal processing means for processing a transmission signal to a format compatible with [[for]] the designated communication line corresponding to the control information supplied from said controlling means.

2. (Original) The camera apparatus as set forth in claim 1, further comprising:

displaying means for displaying information corresponding to the determined result of said controlling means.

3. (Previously Presented) The camera apparatus as set forth in claim 1, further comprising:

data compressing means for compressing the video signal photographed and processed by the camera or the video signal temporarily recorded in the record medium under the control of said controlling means and supplying the compressed video signal to said signal processing means.

4. (Currently Amended) A communicating method for transmitting a video signal photographed and processed by a camera or a video signal temporarily recorded in a record medium to a remote location, comprising the steps of:

[[a)] connecting a plurality of different communication lines;

[[b)] ~~designating~~ allowing said user to designate one of the plurality of different communication lines and setting a transmission condition;

[[c)] determining whether or not the video signal is transmissible to the remote location with the transmission rate of the designated communication line corresponding to an output signal that is output at the designating step [[b)] and generating control information when the video signal is transmissible; ~~and~~

notifying said user if a different communication line would allow the video signal to be transmissible if it is determined that the video signal is not transmissible over the designated communication line;

generating control information when it is determined that the video signal is transmissible over the designated communication line; and

[[d)] processing a transmission signal to a format compatible with [[for]] the designated communication line corresponding to the control information supplied at the determining step [[c)].

5. (Currently Amended) The communicating method as set forth in claim 4, further comprising the step of:

displaying information corresponding to the determined result at the determining step [[c)].

6. (Currently Amended) The communicating method as set forth in claim 4, further comprising the step of:

compressing the video signal photographed and processed by the camera or the video signal temporarily recorded in the record medium under the control at the determining step [[c)] and supplying the compressed video signal to be processed at the processing step [[d)].